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In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1 and 7 and amend claims 2, 8, 10 and 11 without prejudice as follows:

1. (Cancelled) A polymer modified asphalt composition comprising:
 - a) an asphalt; and
 - b) from 0.5 to 10 parts by weight of a tubular reactor produced ethylene/alkyl acrylate copolymer for every 100 parts by weight of said asphalt.
2. (Currently amended) A polymer modified asphalt composition of ~~Claim 1 further~~ comprising:
 - a) an asphalt;
 - b) from 0.5 to 10 parts by weight of a tubular reactor produced ethylene/alkyl acrylate copolymer for every 100 parts by weight of said asphalt; and
 - (c) from 0.5 to 10 parts by weight of an epoxy functionalized ethylene copolymer for every 100 parts by weight of said asphalt.
3. (Original) A polymer modified asphalt composition of Claim 2 wherein the weight ratio of said tubular reactor produced ethylene/alkyl acrylate copolymer to said epoxy functionalized ethylene copolymer is from 1.5 to 6.7 and the cumulative amount of said tubular reactor produced ethylene/alkyl acrylate copolymer and said epoxy functionalized ethylene copolymer is from 1.5 to 4.0 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of said asphalt.
4. (Original) A polymer modified asphalt composition of Claim 2 or 3 wherein an acid adjuvant is added to the asphalt.
5. (Original) An asphalt additive composition comprising a blend of:
 - (a) from 5 to 95 parts by weight of a tubular reactor produced ethylene/alkyl acrylate copolymer; and

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(b) from 95 to 5 parts by weight of an epoxy functionalized ethylene copolymer.

6. (Original) An asphalt additive of Claim 5 wherein the weight ratio of said tubular reactor produced ethylene/alkyl acrylate copolymer to said epoxy functionalized ethylene copolymer is from 1.5 to 6.7.

7. (Cancelled) A process for producing polymer modified asphalt comprising the steps of:

- (a) melt blending an asphalt with from 0.5 to 10 parts by weight of a tubular reactor produced ethylene/alkyl acrylate copolymer for every 100 parts by weight of said asphalt; and
- (b) recovering a polymer modified asphalt having improved elasticity and stiffness.

8. (Currently amended) A process ~~of Claim 7 further for producing polymer modified asphalt~~ comprising the ~~step~~ steps of:

- (a) melt blending an asphalt with from 0.5 to 10 parts by weight of a tubular reactor produced ethylene/alkyl acrylate copolymer for every 100 parts by weight of said asphalt;
- (b) recovering a polymer modified asphalt having improved elasticity and stiffness; and
- (c) melt blending with said asphalt and said ethylene/alkyl acrylate copolymer from 0.5 to 10 parts by weight of an epoxy functionalized ethylene copolymer for every 100 parts by weight of said asphalt.

9. (Original) A process of Claim 8 wherein the weight ratio of said tubular reactor produced ethylene/alkyl acrylate copolymer to said epoxy functionalized ethylene copolymer is from 1.5 to 6.7

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10. (Currently amended) A process according to ~~Claims 7-9~~Claim 8 or Claim 9 wherein no acid adjuvant is added to the asphalt.

11. (Currently amended) A process according to Claim 8 or Claim 9~~Claims 7-9~~ wherein an acid adjuvant is added to the asphalt.